

**CLAIMS**

I CLAIM:

1. The business model algorithm for preparation of a shaped block from an aggregate material comprising the following steps: I) at least one shaped block finish die set and preform container are prepared; II) a quantity of dry mix aggregate material is prepared; III) a preform is prepared using a preform container or an extruder; IV) the preform is placed into the finish die set; V) pressure is applied to the finished die set to force the preform into the final shape of the shaped block; VI) the shaped block is removed from the finish die set; and VII) the shaped block is cured.

2. The algorithm of claim 1 in which the dry mix aggregate material preform is in a semi-cylindrical shape.

3. The algorithm of claim 1 in which the dry mix aggregate material preform is in a pyramid-like shape.

4. Apparatus for forming landscape edging blocks comprising: dry mix preform forming means; moveable die set means having an interior cavity configured so as to have an initial interior cavity larger than a final interior cavity which final interior cavity is the same shape and dimensions as the exterior of an interacting edging block; means for placing a preform in the die set means; means for moving said die set means in such manner as to reconfigure the preform so as to have the exterior shape and dimensions identical to the final interior cavity configuration of

the die set means; and means for removing the reconfigured preform from the die set means.

5. The apparatus of claim 5 wherein the die set means has two circular end platforms with a raised center having semicircular end concavities.